

Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez

Census Materials for Orange County Schools

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Dear School Administrator, Faculty, Staff and Students:

In March, homes across our country will be receiving a questionnaire to help determine how federal dollars will be divided among communities across America: The Census 2000.

The information collected from the Census is used to determine how federal funding supports programs than benefit our community. The Census is especially important for our children because it determines funding for education, child health services and programs to help keep our neighborhoods safe.

To ensure that we get our fair share, everyone needs to be counted. It is estimated that the 1990 Census missed over 8,000 children living in Anaheim, Garden Grove and Santa Ana. That's enough kids to fill 13 schools.

The Census Bureau provides educational material, which you may have already received, for use with students at all grade levels. By informing young people and getting them excited about Census 2000, we can increase the likelihood that their parents, neighbors and friends will be involved and counted.

Enclosed you will find examples of Census in Schools projects that provide teachers with interactive and engaging lesson plans to help students understand the importance and benefits of the Census. To get more information, you can visit the Census Bureau web site at www.census.gov or return the enclosed card to request Census in Schools teaching packets.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my Garden Grove office at 714-621-0102 if I can be of any assistance. I look forward to working with you to ensure that our tax dollars benefit our community.

Very truly yours,

Loretta Sanchez Member of Congress

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